RESOLUTION NO. 2020-06

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA REQUESTING A STAY OF THE COLLECTION OF TOLLS DURING THE SHERMAN MINTON RENEWAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Indiana Department of Transportation's (hereinafter, "INDOT") plan to rehabilitate the Sherman Minton Bridge includes significant lane and, at limited times, entire bridge closures,

WHEREAS, the Floyd County, Indiana County Council (hereinafter, "County Council") would like to express its gratitude to INDOT for taking efforts to limit bridge closures during the renovation of the Sherman Minton Bridge and for taking into consideration the significant complications that would result for the residents and businesses located in Floyd County, Indiana,

WHEREAS, the County Council anticipates that the Sherman Minton lane and bridge closures will require many Floyd County residents to utilize the local tolled Ohio River bridges to get to work,

WHEREAS, this change will result in many Floyd County residents paying bridge tolls, along with increased use and cost of fuel and wear and tear on their vehicles,

WHEREAS, the cost of tolls is not insignificant, and for families on a tight budget, the added expense can be a true financial burden,

WHEREAS, in order to lessen the financial burdens on area residents, the County Council respectfully requests that INDOT and the Louisville and Southern Indiana Bridges Authority (hereinafter, "LSIBA") stay the collection of tolls from vehicles utilizing transponders on the Kennedy Bridge, Lincoln Bridge and Lewis & Clark Bridge during the renovation of the Sherman Minton Bridge,

WHEREAS, the County Council believes that this act of compassion will alleviate the financial and mental stress for the thousands of commuters traveling daily across the Ohio River in the Southern Indiana - Louisville Metro area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF FLOYD COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

1. The County Council respectfully requests that INDOT and LSIBA stay the collection of tolls on vehicles utilizing transponders crossing the Kennedy Bridge, Lincoln Bridge and Lewis & Clark Bridge during the Sherman Minton Bridge rehabilitation project in order to lessen the significant burdens the lane and bridge closure will place on Southern Indiana and Louisville Metro residents and businesses.

DULY ADOPTED on this ____ day of September, 2020, by the County Council of Floyd County, Indiana.

| YEA | NAY |
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